## 13 November 2019

### Dear Parents/Carers

Please find details of our forthcoming Christmas concert on **11 December 2019, 6:30pm at The Castle School**. The event will be raising money for Cancer Research UK, and will be attended by the Lord Mayor of Taunton. All musicians are required to attend this concert:

- Orchestra
- Mini Orchestra
- SATB Choir
- Year 7 & 8 singers
- Steel Pans
- String Group
- Woodwind Group

We would ask that students remain in school at 3:20pm for an additional rehearsal. Students will need a packed tea or money to purchase food from Tesco.

Could you please sign the permission slip and return to me or Miss Leech?

#### **Tickets**

The concert is open to family and friends so we hope you will join us. The Christmas Concert is a free event although this year, all audience members will be required to have a ticket due to ongoing building work and capacity restrictions.

The free tickets are available now from Student Reception. As is tradition, there will be a retiring collection for Cancer Research UK.

We encourage you to reserve and/or organise collection of your free ticket in advance to ensure you are guaranteed a seat.

There is a possibility that some tickets will be available on the night although this is not guaranteed. Entry refusal to those without a ticket on the concert night will be for health and safety reasons once the hall is filled to capacity.

Taunton Youth Brass band will play traditional Christmas carols from 6:30pm-7:00pm and there will be mince pies, mulled wine, tea and coffee refreshments supplied by the Music Department. The concert will start at 7:00pm.

# **Additional Rehearsal**

Due to reduced lunch time rehearsal times, I would like to put in an additional rehearsal on Sunday 8 December from 2:00pm - 5:00pm. This is a voluntary session introduced to improve standards and confidence. Please can you indicate below on the return slip whether your son/daughter is able to attend.

## What to wear at the concert

| Students must wear school uniform but may bring tinsel/Christmas h decorations. | at or other festive          |
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| Yours sincerely   |                              |
| May.  |                              |
| Nic Adams Head of Music   |                              |
| Please return signed slips to Mr Adams or Miss Leech asap.                      |                              |
| I give permission for my child to participate in the following sessions:        | (please tick as appropriate) |
| Sunday 8 December 2:00pm - 5:00pm extra rehearsal (all ensembles)               |                              |
| Wednesday 11 December 3:20pm after school rehearsal (all ensemble               | es)                          |
| Wednesday 11 December 6:30pm performance (all ensembles)                        |                              |
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| Student name:   | Form:                        |